



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 53080
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 Ryoichi TAKAHIRA : Confirmation Number: 5610
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 Application No.: 10/018,031 : Group Art Unit: 2621
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 Filed: December 14, 2001 : Examiner: Jamie J. VENT
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 For: MAGNETIC RECORDER/REPRODUCER

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
 Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Noting the Office Action of March 13, 2007 wherein restriction has been required,
 Applicant hereby elects Species 2 (Figure 5) and identify claims 1 and 3-7 as readable thereon,
 for prosecution in the above-identified application.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is
 hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper,
 including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to
 such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,
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